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Editorial.

THE Sisters' S. C. E., Burn's Chapel, Ind., has certainly a very good financial record for the past year. They have gathered above \$150.

WE commend to our readers the thoughtful article on "Successful Business Methods" published in the Kihg's Children department of this issue.

THE Indiana Conference has adopted a form of credential both for ministers and lay delegates in that State. Credentials similar in form are kept for sale at this office.

It is a question with some people as to when the nineteenth century ends and when the twentieth begins. Does the present century end January 1st, 1900 or 1901? Who knows.

NEXT week's paper will appear in its new form, that is larger form. Other improvements will accompany this change, and it is to be hoped that these efforts to give the church a better paper will be appreciated.

WE still have on hand a number of sample packages of tracts, ready made up which we sell at ten cents. A few of these tracts will soon be out of print, and if you desire a sample of each tract now on hand order soon.

THE resolutions found on another page of this issue were prepared by and read at the Illiokota Conference in August. In some way they were separated from the minutes and were lately sent here by Bro. Gillin. We now publish them as part of those minutes.

THESE are true words from Mr. Isaac W. Green: Giving is better than keeping, for it enlarges the heart. It is a potential grace. It never comes alone, but brings a company of graces with it. Cheerfulness,

sympathy, gratitude, helpfulness, love, all follow in the train of this cardinal grace. Like every grace, its greatest reward is the increased power to exercise it.

To make room for other matter the Sunday-school notes and the Home department are crowded out this week. Boil down a little, brethren. We are not heard nor rewarded for our much speaking, neither for our long articles. The man or woman who writes one column has four readers, where the two page contributor has one.

EACH congregation in the brotherhood should have a regularly appointed correspondent whose duty it should be to report the work of that congregation. The church should select some one who can write plainly and present matters intelligently. Much of the church news we are compelled to rewrite and it makes us extra work. Please observe our rules to write plainly, with pen and ink and do not roll manuscript.

ABOVE all others now is the time to get new subscribers. New subscribers get the enlarged paper the entire year for one dollar, but these terms will continue only till December 1. Then the paper will be \$1.50 to all, new and renewals. Those who expect to become subscribers should certainly send in their subscriptions during the next month. Agents too will find these inducements quite helpful in getting new subscribers.

THE Rev. B. Fay Mills is reported to have said recently: "What was right a few years ago is not right now. What is right now will be wrong to-morrow. We shall be moral monstrosities to our descendants. They will look at us as we look at the troglodytes from which we sprang." This is the man who a few years ago did such a great work in leading souls to Christ by preaching the truth. No wonder he now finds himself a member of the Unitarian church for which he preaches. If there is

not any more permanency about truth and right than he intimates then we shall not be surprised to find him an advocate of infidelity of the Ingersoll stripe within a year or so, or what if truth should take a strange freak and convert Mr. Mills into a troglodyte "from which we sprang."

IN the next issue of the paper we begin a series of outline Bible studies in the book of Job. These studies will appear regularly each week in "Our Bible School" department. They are being prepared by Brother Miller who has given this subject special study and he will be sure to make the subject interesting and profitable to all who will take pains to read the book according to outline. Brother Gillin will continue his prayer meeting topics which have proven so helpful to our readers. The next series will be on "Character Studies."

THE canvass for the College is going grandly forward in the State of Indiana. That State's pride has been touched, and thro its representative, G. W. Rench, has determined that the College must not fail because of its shortcoming. That is right, Brother Rench, let the responsibility rest some where else. The Maryland and Virginia Conference also has determined not to be the responsible party for failure if failure it should be. Ohio is but very little behind and nobly refuses to be responsible for failure. From Pennsylvania we have not heard. What says it?

IN emphasizing the fact that the gospel is for the poor there is danger of overlooking that other equally important fact that the gospel is for the rich. The truth is it is for neither alone but for both alike. The rich are as much in need of the gospel and the help of the church as the poor. Our religion is a universal religion. The *Reformed Church Messenger* very truthfully says: "The church is true to the spirit of the gospel when it cares for the poor. To befriend the poor, to lift up the down-trodden, to defend the oppressed, to re-